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Current Academic Appointments	Postdoctoral Research Associate in Democracy Kellogg Institute for International Studies PI: Scott Mainwaring University of Notre Dame	2025-2026
	British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow Department of Politics and International Relations Mentor: David Doyle University of Oxford	2024-2027 (On Leave)
	Research Fellow Keble College, Oxford	2024-2027
Education	DPhil - University of Oxford Thesis: <i>The Origins of Subnational Democracy</i> Advisor: Timothy J. Power Committee: Ezequiel González Ocantos, James Mahoney Awards: 2022 APSA William Anderson Award 2022 ECPR Jean Blondel (Shortlisted)	2021 (December)
	Associate Fellow - UK Higher Education Academy UK - Professional Standards Framework (PSF)	2023
	MPhil - University of Oxford Thesis: <i>Subnational Democracy: An Empirical Assessment of Argentina, Brazil and Mexico</i> . (Thesis with Distinction).	2017
	B.A. - Political Science and Public Administration Ibero-American University, Mexico City (UIA) Graduated with Honours	2013
Peer Reviewed Publications	"Crossing Borders, Expanding Evidence, and Strengthening Theory: Synergies between Subnational and Mixed-Method Research". Accepted at <i>Qualitative and Multi-Method Research</i>	2025 (Forthcoming)
	"Multilevel Regime Decoupling: The Territorial Dimension of Autocratization and Contemporary Regime Change". <i>Perspectives on Politics</i> , Vol. 23(2) p. 524-551.	2024

Peer Reviewed Publications (cont.)	“Measuring and Assessing Subnational Electoral Democracy: A New Dataset for the Americas and India” <i>Democratization</i> , Vol. 30(4) p. 715-740. Winner of the 2024 Frank Cass Prize for best article by a young scholar.	2023
	“The Persistence of Latin America’s Violent Democracies: Reviewing the Research Agenda on Policing, Violence, and Security across the region” (with Daniel Barker Flores). <i>Alternatives: Global, Local, Political</i> , Vol. 49(4) p. 378-386.	2023
	“El origen, trayecto, y rumbo de la investigación en torno a la variación de los regímenes subnacionales”, <i>Agenda Política Journal of the Federal Univ. of São Carlos, Brazil</i> Vol.9(3) p. 27-54.	2022
	“Inside Countries: reduciendo la <i>escala de análisis</i> en el análisis político”, <i>Perfiles Latinomaericanos</i> , Journal of the Latin American Faculty of Social Science (FLACSO), Vol. 29(58) p. 1-4.	2021
Other Academic Publications	“How Rising Global Illiberalism Confounds Democratic Resistance at Home”, Accepted at the <i>Journal of Democracy</i> . (co-authored with Timothy J. Power & Maryhen Jiménez)	2026 (Forthcoming)
	“Hollowing out the State: Executive-led State Erosion and Democratic Decay”, Accepted at the <i>Journal of Democracy</i> . (co-authored with Andrés Mejía Acosta)	2026 (Forthcoming)
Work Under Review	“Regime Decoherence: When Political Regimes Fragment Across Scales and Between Dimensions”. (Research Note) Revise & Resubmit at the <i>European Journal of Political Research</i> .	2025 (November)
	“The Political Correlates of Organized Criminal Violence: Evidence from Contemporary Mexican Municipalities”. Currently under review at <i>Comparative Politics</i> . (with Daniel Barker Flores)	2025 (November)
	“Multilevel Autocratization? Patterns of Subnational Electoral Democracy after the Third Wave”. Currently under review at <i>Comparative Politics</i> .	2025 (October)
	“Determinants of Subnational Polyarchy: Evidence from Contemporary Brazil”. Currently under review at <i>Studies in Comparative International Development</i> . (with Timothy J. Power & Virginia Rocha)	2025 (August)

Awards	Frank Cass Prize	2024		
	Best article by a young scholar published in <i>Democratization</i> .			
	APSA William Anderson Award	2022		
	Best doctoral dissertation in the general field of federalism or intergovernmental relations, state, and local politics.			
	ECPR Jean Blondel Prize Shortlist	2022		
	Best doctoral thesis in politics.			
	Pembroke Teaching Excellence Award	2022		
	Best Politics undergraduate Lecturer.			
Working Papers	“Democratic Stagnation in Latin America” (with Scott Mainwaring & Fernando Bizarro)			
	“Challenges and Practicalities in Designing Subnational Research” (with Gonzalo Contreras, Josephine Lechartre & Eugenia Aguirre) Presented at MPSA 2025 and APSA 2025.			
Work In Progress Portfolio	“Subnational State Capacity and Subnational Political Regimes: Evidence from Brazil” (with Virginia Rocha)			
	“Remittances and Subnational Democracy in Contemporary Mexico” Presented at LASA 2025. (with David Doyle)			
	“Rethinking Backsliding: <i>Structurally</i> Revisiting Democratic Erosion as Performance”. Presented at the 2023 <i>Comparative Politics Workshop</i> of the Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame.			
Book Projects	“ <i>The Origins of Subnational Democracy: Colonial Legacies and Organized Labor in the Making of Regime Variation within Latin America</i> ” Manuscript stemming from doctoral dissertation. Potential publishers: Oxford, Cambridge or Princeton University Press			
	“ <i>Latin American Politics: A Guide for the Uninitiated</i> ” (Coord.) Edited volume discussing key topics in Latin American Politics. Potential publishers: Routledge or Palgrave MacMillan. (Long-term project)			
Other Contributions	Animal Político	The Washington Post	Presidential Power	OxPol

Teaching Experience	University of Oxford	2017-2025
	<i>Research Methods</i> (PG)	
	<i>Latin American Economies</i> (PG)	
	<i>Politics of Brazil</i> (PG)	
	<i>Comparative Government</i> (PG, UG)	
	<i>Politics in Latin America</i> (PG, UG)	
	<i>Intro. to Quantitative Methods</i> (UG)	
	<i>Intro. Theory and Practice of Politics</i> (UG)	
	<i>Political Sociology</i> (UG)	
	"Comparative & Multi-Method Approaches within Political Economy Research". APSA Doctoral Dissertation Workshop (with Dr. E. Pfeffer, Dartmouth College)	2024-2025
	University of Oxford International Summer School	2023-2024
	<i>Latin American Political Economies: Past, Present, and Future</i>	
	Oxford Brookes University, Associate Lecturer	2018
	<i>Development & Social Change in Latin America</i>	
	CIDE-CLEAR-IDB	2018-2021
	<i>Results Based Management Course</i> , 2018.	
	<i>Monitoring and Evaluation Fundamentals</i> , 2021.	
	Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education	2015
	<i>Mexico's Economic and Political Structure</i>	
	Universidad Iberoamericana	2012-2013
	Teaching Assistant	
	<i>Public Policy Analysis & Evaluation</i>	
Supervision	"Bringing Civil Society Back In: Legacies of State Repression and Democratic Quality" Ranganatha, N. MPhil in Comparative Government (Oxford)	2024-2026
	"Divided we Stand? Federal Institutions and Democratic Breakdown in a Global Contemporary Perspective" Wang, J, BA in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics (Oxford)	2025-2026
	"The Paradox of Democracy and Environmentalism in Contemporary Latin America" Kirk, H. MSc in Latin American Studies (Oxford).	2022-2023
	"An account of German Influences on Guatemalan Development" Hoher, L. MSc in Latin American Studies (Oxford).	2022-2023

Supervision (cont.)	“Afro-Brazilian Perspectives from the Favelas” Youngs do Patrocinio, R. MSc in Latin American Studies (Oxford).	2022-2023
Funding Secured	British Academy Postdoctoral Project (approx. \$ 450K USD) Notre Dame Democracy Initiative Catalyst Grant (approx. \$18K USD) Oxford Social Sciences Division Small Research Grant LASA Economics & Politics Section Travel Grant GCRF Official Development Committee Bursary CONACYT-PFAN Scholarship Wolfson Travel Grant DPIR-ESRC Studentship International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS)	2024-2027 2025-2026 2025 2025 2021 2017-2021 2020 2017-2019 2012
Datasets	MOBILISE: National Representative Panel and Protest Surveys (2019-2022) with Onuch, Olga, David Doyle, Evelyn Ersanilli, et al. UK Data Service ReShare. Index of Subnational Electoral Democracy: A New Dataset for the Americas and India. Available through the Harvard Dataverse.	2024 2023
Previous Academic Appts.	Visiting Fellow Kellogg Institute for International Studies University of Notre Dame Departmental Lecturer in Latin American Studies Oxford School of Global and Area Studies (OSGA) Stipendiary Lecturer in Politics St Hugh’s College, Oxford Director of the Dartmouth Visiting Student Programme Keble College, Oxford Postdoctoral Research Associate MOBILISE Project, University of Manchester. PI: Olga Onuch Stipendiary Lecturer in Politics Pembroke College, Teaching Excellence Award Associate Lecturer in Politics Oxford Brookes University	2023 Autumn 2022-2023 2022-2023 2022-2023 2022 2021-2022 2018 Spring

Professional Affiliations	APSA, EPSA, PSA, LASA, ECPR, ALACIP	
Professional Service	Country Expert: Mexico, Varieties of Democracy Project	2023-2025
	Co-host of the 'Research & Ideas in Progress' Seminar Department of Politics and International Relations (DPIR), Oxford	2023-2025
	DPIR Review Committee for the British Academy Postdoctoral Fellowship Applications, Oxford (First Round)	2024
	"Comparative & Multi-Method Approaches within Political Economy Research" Doctoral Dissertation Workshop (with Dr. E. Pfeffer, Dartmouth College)	2024-2025
	Teaching & Admin. Committees, Latin American Centre, Oxford	2022-2023
	Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Committee, OSGA, Oxford	2022-2023
	Admissions & Academic Review Panels, St Hugh's, Keble, and Pembroke College, Oxford	2021-2023
	Reviewer for several journals including the <i>American Journal of Political Science</i> , the <i>Journal of Politics in Latin America</i> , <i>Regional & Federal Studies</i> , <i>Alternatives</i> , <i>Political Studies</i> , <i>Perspectives on Politics</i> and <i>Agenda Política</i> among others.	
Further Training	Bullying & Harassment in the Workplace Equality and Diversity Unit, University of Oxford	2024
	Advancing Teaching and Learning Programme Centre for Teaching and Learning, University of Oxford	2023
	Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) Syracuse University, Maxwell School	2021
	Python Data Analysis Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE)	2018
	Quantitative and Qualitative Research National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)	2014
	Contemporary Mexico Summer Seminar El Colegio de México (COLMEX)	2011

Talks & Public Lectures	Democracy Paradox Podcast	2025
	Guest Contributor & Introductory Discussant	Autumn
	‘Ballots & Bullets: The Political Causes of Criminal Violence in Mexico’, St Antony’s College	2024 Summer
	‘Mexico 2024: How and Why we got Here’ Mexican Elections Seminar, LAC Oxford	2024 Summer
	‘The State of Latin American Democracies: Challenges from within and without’, St Antony’s College	2023 Summer
	‘(Un)Bowed, (Un)Bent, Unbroken: Mexican Democracy in the Midst of AMLO’s 4th Transformation’, Center for Research on Democracy (CREDO), Nuffield College Oxford	2023 Spring
	‘Mexico’s Midterm Election’, Online OxPol Broadcast Interview	2021 Spring
Additional Academic Experience	‘Navigating Subnational Tides amidst a National Tsunami: The Territorial aftermath of the 2018 Mexican Election’ Nuffield College, Oxford	2018 Autumn
	Research Assistantships under: Diego Sánchez-Ancochea, University of Oxford	2017
	Roberto Rodríguez Rodríguez, UIA	2014
	Gabriela Pérez Yarahuán, UIA	2010-2013
Other Professional Experience	Race and Equality Task Force Data Analyst University of Oxford	2022 Spring
	Part-Time Bookseller (Social Sciences & Popular Science Non-Fiction) Blackwell’s Bookshop Oxford	2019-2021
	Part-Time Senior Bookseller (Social Sciences & Popular Science Non-Fiction) Waterstones Bookshop Oxford	2016-2019
	Junior Financial Advisor to the Public Research Centre System Mexican National Council for Science and Technology (CONACYT)	2013-2015
	Intern at the Office for Democracy and Human Rights Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs	2012

Language and Skills	Spanish (Native), English (100%), French (50%), Portuguese (Listening & Reading) MS. Office, Stata, Latex, R, Python, Atlas Ti.
Other Skills	Hybrid athlete (swimming, running, and weightlifting), real-time strategy (RTS) gamer, cosmology and quantum physics aficionado.

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References	Prof. James Mahoney Professor of Political Science and Sociology Northwestern University james-mahoney@northwestern.edu +1 (847) 491-2626
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